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Honouring the fallen



Five-year-old Coleman Tawfik salutes passing Edmonton police officers during the Alberta Police and Peace Officers' Memorial Day 2008 ceremonies on the Legislature grounds yesterday. The ceremony honoured those who have died in the line of duty.

Slain teen's father asks for prayers

MURDER Police are searching for a killer and a father is reaching out for support after a 14-year-old was found dead in Edson Saturday.

"Please pray for us, for our church family... and for family that is travelling," wrote Terry Stauffer, a pastor at the Edson Baptist Church.

Emily Joy Stauffer was killed on a tree-covered wooden path around 4:45 p.m. in the northwest side of Edson, 200 kilometres west of Edmonton.

It's believed an unknown male attacked the teen, said Cpl. Wayne Oakes, an RCMP spokesman.

Two boys who were riding their bikes nearby noticed the attack and rushed to a nearby home to call police, Mounties said.

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Overtime overload

We're spending more time in the office, less time at home

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Calgarians aren't burnt out yet, but they're working on it.

Predicting an economic slow down over the next five years, a recent forecast on the city's social and economic future said labour shortages in Calgary will continue and as a result, count on spending more time at the office.

Matthew, a husband, father and oil and gas executive who wouldn't reveal his last name because he

"Dad comes home and says 'Gee it's good to be home,' then collapses face first on the couch and stays there till morning. It's hardly quality time with the family."

John Roshak, A.W. Fraser and Associates

didn't want to be viewed as speaking for his company, said a substantial amount of overtime does have an impact on his young family.

"The pay's really good, but I guess that's the trade-off," he said.

It's a trade-off more workers in Calgary are

making as the report cited a 16.6 per cent rise in overtime since 2003, a trend which will continue over the coming five years as "employment growth in the Calgary Region is expected to outpace population growth, exacerbating the labour supply shortage," the report said.

More time in the office means more dollars in the bank, but less time doing anything else, said John Roshak, managing partner of A.W. Fraser and Associates, a firm of industrial psychologists and management consultants, at his office — on a Sunday.

"Dad comes home and says 'gee it's good to be home,' then collapses face first on the couch and stays there until the morning," he said. "It's hardly quality time with the family and it's not a lifestyle you can keep up for an extended period."



Calgary youth show their skill.

A footy dream come true for teen

SPORTS A group of young soccer players returning from an invited trip to Real Madrid, Spain, in August got some good news.

One of the boys who attended the soccer camp is heading back next week to try out for the U16 Real Madrid team, according to coach Marina Mellino.

"The reports are back with great comments from Spain coaches," she said.

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Expanding landfill closes in on Race City

Race City Motorsport Park held what is likely the final race in its 23-year history yesterday. The motorsports facility has a year left on its lease but the city wants the land back to expand the landfill.

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Local



A party for your palate

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5 brides have been chosen

CONTEST After a demanding process of lie detectors, psychology tests and criminal record checks, five potential brides-to-be have been chosen — not exactly the typical dating process.

But that's the reality for these five brides chosen for Energy 101.5's Two Strangers and a Wedding radio contest, hoping to defy the laws of attraction and make real love happen — at the altar.

"Grueling is a good word to describe the process," one of the potential brides told Metro. "But what single girl wouldn't want a panel of experts to do all that stuff for them?"

Program director for Energy, Rob Mise, said the process was meant to choose the most genuine brides in the contest for the right reasons.

"We're doing all the background work for them, and then they can focus on the heart and soul part of it, and hopefully find true love at the altar," he added.

KRISTA SYLVESTER/METRO CALGARY

Crime cams have fallout: Prof

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There's always unintended consequences.

By the end of the year, Calgarians' privacy will take a hit with the installation of closed-circuit television cameras meant to bite into the city's growing crime problem, but it's the potential for spillover that is drawing the ire of University of Calgary environmental design professor Dr. Thomas Keenan.

While the new cameras, which will be set up at three crime hotspots throughout the city by the end of the year in an effort to increase conviction rates and bolster evidence collection, Ald. Ric McIver doesn't think the images will always be used to only hammer violent criminals.

"There's nothing to stop an expanded use of the cameras in the future," McIver said. "We'll figure that out, that's why this pilot project is so important,



Though camera locations haven't been disclosed, the city is eyeing security cams in select downtown crime hotspots, but one city professor argues it could have unintended consequences.

and it will have to be publicly debated and decided by council."

Keenan, who isn't for or against the cameras, wants to see strict limits put on how long random footage is kept before being de-

stroyed and hopes it's use doesn't spill into the overall micro-management of societal behaviour.

"Police have a legitimate concern over crime," Keenan said. "Cameras will act as a deterrent, but the

major concern is that this will have a chilling affect on behaviour that may be further than the intended consequences."

"His concerns are absolutely legitimate," said McIver.

News in brief

LAKE NEWELL A five-year-old girl was recovered from inside the wreckage of an overturned boat on Lake Newell, near Brooks on Saturday afternoon, but died at Foothills Hospital yesterday morning. Brooks RCMP responded to a distress call from a boat with a family of five, saying the boat struck a rock and was taking on water. The rest of the family was rescued.

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What's online today.

Read Guidy Mamann on the legal status of proxy marriages from other countries at www.metronews.ca/live
Watch as Jim Flaherty says voters care more about schools than income trusts at www.metronews.ca/canada
Play online Sudoku and Crosswords!

Lotteries

Friday, Sept. 26

Super 7 10, 15, 16, 25, 29, 41 & 43. Bonus 12.

Saturday, Sept. 27

Lotto 6/49 11, 19, 29, 33, 44 & 46. Bonus 34. These results are not official.

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Police seek witnesses in Rae case

CRIME City cops have been able to narrow down the movements of Sarah Nicole Rae just prior to her death, ruled a homicide, on Aug. 3.



Sarah Nicole Rae

Police believe Rae knew her killer. They are seeking anyone who may have seen the victim after she left a south-east bar around 1:30 a.m. that night.

Rae was wearing black DKNY jeans, a turquoise shirt and a black jacket, and is described as 5-foot-2 and 97 pounds with hazel eyes and brown hair.

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News in brief

CRASH A pair of 22-year-old men were taken to hospital after a single-vehicle rollover on 68th Street SE early yesterday. One male suffered a possible fractured arm and lacerations. The other sustained a minor neck injury.

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Schools getting scarier: Teacher

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A lot can change in ten years - and a lot has changed in Calgary's schools, according to a former student who is now teaching.

Natalie, who wished to withhold her last name, graduated from St. Mary's High School in 1997. She now teaches in the same school system she grew up in, but in a city that, at the time, was dealing with very different issues.

"Problems are bigger and expanding now. There is a huge gang problem," she said. "I would be more worried to go back to school now, and I know some teachers are worried, too."

Kids as young as Grade 3 are getting busted with marijuana in their lockers - something that would happen when she was in school, but when students were older, she said.

"I remember Grade 3 and I wasn't doing anything like that," she added.

Natalie says parents are concerned about sending



ROBIN KUNSKI / METRO CALGARY

Ten years removed from being a student at St. Mary's High School in Calgary, a city teacher says a lot has changed at city schools in the past decade.

their kids on public transit to school, especially downtown.

"During high school it should be normal and expected to take city transit, but it's scary now. I know a lot of parents are worried,

and will drive their kids to school instead," she said.

Ted Flitton, spokesperson for the public school system, said he hasn't heard about parent's concerns at a school board level, but adds the board puts

student safety in the forefront.

"Certainly anything that is happening in the community is a concern to us and when things happen we revisit our policies and procedures," he said.

letters

Kim's shock comes as a surprise

Re: "City MP under fire", Sept. 26 My family and I recently returned from Seoul, Korea, where we lived for four years. I cannot even count the number of times politicians, the media, and the public blamed foreigners for all kinds of things. For Heesung Kim to say she was shocked about Mr. Richardson's comment is laughable, considering what happens virtually on a daily basis in her native South Korea. DOUGLAS HARTLEY

Age unimportant for new parents

I think that your interviewee's comment about being older and wiser when she had her baby at 35 is self-serving and generalizing. At 26, I have two kids and my wife is 23. All new parents are on pretty even footing. What does a 30-year-old's life experience have to do with a newborn's fussiness or health issues? Most people delay having kids due to financial issues. JOSH MARET

Riding: Calgary Centre

Home to the highest average household income in the province at \$145,427 and a sizable homeless population, Calgary Centre may be among the most diverse ridings in the country, with 24 per cent of its 124,197 population listed as immigrants by the 2006 Canadian census. METRO CALGARY

Election 2008



Lee Richardson

AGE: 60

PARTY: Conservative

POSITION: MP, House of Commons (Incumbent since 2004)

"I don't think this is a personal thing; this is national party politics. I'm a representative of the Conservative party. I'm proud to do so, and I'm just hoping enough people across the country feel the same way that people in Calgary do and give us a majority."



Heesung Kim

AGE: 48

PARTY: Liberal

POSITION: Business owner

"I have a broad base of life experience so when I talk about something and say I understand something, it usually comes from personal experience."



Tyler Kinch

AGE: 21

PARTY: NDP

POSITION: Graphic designer

"We've got a backbencher in this riding right now that (...) is nearly impossible to get a hold of. I'd ensure I was accessible and would fight tirelessly for the interests of our community."



Natalie Odd

AGE: 37

PARTY: Green

POSITION: Executive director, Clean Calgary

"We're more considerate of a long-term view that will have long-term benefits to Canadians, rather than splitting social and environmental issues like they're not connected."



Antony Tony Grochowski

AGE: 61

PARTY: Independent

POSITION: Architect

"We need somebody who responds to our problems, who sees those thousands of homeless people, who sees the new immigrants struggling to get by, who's willing to stand up for (them)."

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Puppy mill raided

A puppy mill in Rawdon, Que., was raided on Friday, where 110 dogs, seven cats and one rabbit were seized. The dogs were living in piles of their own feces, and many had open sores and severe skin conditions. No charges have been laid yet.

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Teen mom Tasered

CONFRONTATION Police who Tasered a Vancouver teenager while she held her baby in her arms said they were worried that the girl, who they say is mentally disturbed, was going to smother her child.

Const. Jana McGuinness said police had spent three hours trying to negotiate with Misha Peterson, 16, who had been reported missing from her foster home.

McGuinness said the baby has a life-threatening condition and Peterson refused to give him over to social service workers.

She added that Peterson was holding him in a way that that was making it difficult for him to breathe.

KRISTEN THOMPSON/METRO CANADA

Kyle takes aim at Maritimes

Tropical Storm Kyle strengthened into a hurricane off the United States as it took aim at Canada's Maritime provinces and New England, the U.S. National Hurricane Center said.

Kyle, which developed as a tropical storm Thursday, had top sustained winds near 121 km/h and was forecast to make landfall near the Maine-New Brunswick border early today.

Kyle was a minimal Category 1 hurricane on the five-step hurricane intensity scale. In its 11 p.m. advisory, the Hurricane Center said there might be slight weakening in Kyle before it hits the coast.

The hurricane — spawned by the 11th named storm of a destruc-

tive Atlantic hurricane season — was forecast to dump as much as six inches of rain over parts of New England, New Brunswick, Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island through today. It was also likely to cause large, dangerous surf in some areas.

Forecasters have predicted the six-month hurricane season, which runs through Nov. 30, could produce up to 18 cyclones. The warm sea temperatures and other factors that contribute to the formation of hurricanes are still in place. The disturbed weather system from which Kyle developed drenched the Caribbean before it moved north into the Atlantic.

REUTERS



A man fights through high winds and rain created by Hurricane Kyle in Yarmouth, N.S., yesterday.

PAUL DARRON/REUTERS

Tories wait to reform immigration?

OVERHAUL The Conservatives seem to be waiting for a majority government before they revolutionize Canada's immigration system the way the Australians have, pollster Michael Adams said.

Wholesale and "highly controversial" changes to the immigration system have the potential to alienate foreign-born Canadians and, consequently, little has been done to address the steadily deteriorating system, Adams said.

Tracking has shown skilled immigrants to Canada are poorer and underemployed compared to those from decades past, and also compared to those in Australia — where a massive overhaul in 1999 resulted in significant changes. Immigrants were screened more rigorously, applications were handled in just three months and an environment was established where 81 per cent of people were working in appropriate jobs six months after their arrival, all under the conservative government of John Howard.

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News in brief

AFGHANISTAN Two Canadian soldiers were injured Saturday in an attack by Taliban insurgents on a combat outpost in the Panjwaii district of southern Afghanistan, military officials said. One of the soldiers remains in serious but stable condition. The other has been released from medical care.

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At a women's rally in downtown Toronto for Liberal Leader Stéphane Dion there was finally a sign of wit and humour in an otherwise humourless campaign (for all parties), with T-shirts that read, "Women belong in the House." Buttons said, "It's a man's world, unless women vote." **TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE**

Election 2008



Why campaign ads are loathed

'It's the only really dishonest kind of advertising that's left': Ad legend

There's a unifying theme to campaign ads: Everybody seems to hate them.

Politicians hate that they reduce complex issues to 30-second elevator pitches, a context better suited for cynicism, fear and doubt than for inspiring voters.

Voters hate them for two reasons. First, they're disingenuous: Even the most rabid partisan can't believe anyone is so completely good, any opponent so completely evil, as these ads portray. Second, and less forgivable: They don't entertain. Most are just plain bad.

Yet the ad industry hates them most of all because

— no kidding — campaign ads are exempt from the rules that govern ad content.

Canadian ads are bound by a code set by Advertising Standards Canada, an industry-run body that fields consumer complaints and can request that offending ads be pulled or revised.

Campaign ads running right now routinely trash several provisions of the code, notably its decree that advertisers shall not "unfairly discredit, disparage or attack other products, services, advertisements or companies, or exaggerate the nature or importance of competitive differences."

AdVentures

Mike Tennant



Ah, but who cares? Because the code expressly exempts campaign ads from its restrictions.

American campaign ads have enjoyed similar immunity since the Supreme Court ruled they fall under the First Amendment right to free speech.

Campaign ads, then, enjoy freedom of speech, and the freedom to lie. Or at least to do to the truth

what clowns do to long, skinny balloons. This is how the noun "swift boat" became a verb four years ago.

University of Texas advertising professor Jef I. Richards once lamented: "The law requires a paper towel ad to be scrupulously honest, but allows political candidates to lie without reproach. What's wrong with this picture?"

Ad legend David Ogilvy went further: "Political advertising ought to be stopped. It's the only really dishonest kind of advertising that's left. It's totally dishonest."

The irony, of course, is that many of the campaign ads you see are the product

of advertising dream teams, hand-picked from top agencies. The trouble is, key creative decisions are too often handed down to them by political strategists in party war rooms; people unwilling to take the calculated creative risks that distinguish great advertising.

Which helps explain why campaign ads lower people's opinion of all advertising — if that's possible — and why it leaves party leaders looking like exhausted hockey fighters waiting, in vain, for a linesman to break them up.

Mike Tennant is a freelance ad writer and co-creator/writer of Terry O'Reilly and the Age of Persuasion on CBC Radio One.

Debates

Training for prime-time sparring

LEADERS Liberal Leader Stéphane Dion is hoping to land a knockout punch, NDP Leader Jack Layton says he'll be auditioning to be prime minister and Stephen Harper is just hoping to "survive."

Green Leader Elizabeth May, who had to fight to be included, is promising to mix things up.

It will be a political high-wire act this week when

Harper, Dion, Layton, May and Bloc Québécois Leader Gilles Duceppe take the stage at Ottawa's National Arts Centre for two political debates.

Either of the debates — French on Wednesday and English on Thursday — could deliver the make-it or break-it moment of the campaign for any one of them.

The stakes are so high that the parties have scaled back their campaigns this week to allow time to prepare. During mock debates, with stand-ins posing as the other leaders, they'll rehearse their responses and practise the zingers they hope will land a punch on their opponents.

Harper's goal will be just to survive the debate, a Conservative source said yesterday.

"It's a very hostile environment and they are both quite lengthy debates where I think virtually every exchange will be an attack from an opposition leader and a response from the prime minister," the strategist said. "To survive, come out of it standing, is really what one hopes to do when you're entering that kind of a hostile environment."

He said he doubts there will be any knockout blows, "but a lot of partisan sniping."

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Jim Flaherty says voters care more about schools than income trusts, at metronews.ca/Canada

15 days remain until the 2008 Canadian federal election

Layton aims to eliminate poverty by 2020

A New Democratic government would eliminate poverty in Canada within 12 years, NDP Leader Jack Layton says.

Layton set the ambitious target in his party's \$51.6-billion, 57-page election platform, released yesterday in Toronto.

"Don't you think it's time we finally put an end to the shame of child poverty?" he said to about 200 cheering supporters.

Layton unveiled the party's program on the heels of a Toronto Star/Angus Reid poll Saturday that showed the New Democrats had moved up to tie the sagging Liberals for support at 21 per cent. The poll put the Conservatives at 40 per cent support.

Speaking to reporters after his speech, Layton made no apologies for setting the aggressive 2020 deadline.

"This is the goal. You know something, if you don't set a goal you're never going to get there," he said.

The most expensive tool in the NDP's anti-poverty



NDP Leader Jack Layton speaks to supporters during a campaign rally yesterday in Toronto.

arsenal is a new \$17.4-billion child-benefit plan that would pay low-income families up to \$416 per month per child.

The party, which is promising balanced budgets, maintains it can pay

for its commitments by cancelling Prime Minister Stephen Harper's corporate tax cuts, including cancelling the planned reduction of the rate to 19 per cent, returning it to 22.12 per cent.

The New Democrats say the \$17.4-billion price tag for the child-benefit plan is only \$4.4 billion more than the \$13-billion patchwork of Conservative benefits their package would replace when it's fully

"Don't you think it's time we finally put an end to the shame of child poverty?"

Jack Layton

phased in by 2012-13.

Speaking in Toronto, Liberal Leader Stéphane Dion was harshly critical of Layton's corporate tax plans, saying they would kill jobs, and of the child-benefit plan, which he called unrealistic. No country or any NDP provincial government is taxing corporations at the rate Layton plans, Dion told reporters.

"Jack Layton's old-fashioned socialist mentality is as backwards as Stephen Harper's old-fashioned conservative ideology," he said.

Speaking for the Conservatives, incumbent Pierre Poilievre, who is running in the riding of Nepean-Carleton, slammed the NDP program as "unaffordable."

TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Liberals celebrate Dion's birthday, women in politics

With his party showing signs of losing the critical support of women voters, Liberal Leader Stéphane Dion is on the offensive.

At a rally in downtown Toronto Centre, Dion celebrated his 53rd birthday at a "celebration" of women in politics.

Dion accused Stephen

Harper's Conservative government of opposing women's equality and failing women on issues that matter to them most, including child care, seniors' issues, poverty and health care.

Dion boasted he's met his goal of women making up one-third of the Liberal ranks in this election.

Numbers running for Grits

• Dion said the 112 women running as Liberal candidates, out of 306, is the most of any party. The Conserva-

tives are running 62 women of 307 candidates, and the NDP has 104 out of 305 candidates.

The room was energized, and the rhetoric was heated. But it was perhaps a sign

Dion is taking the polls — which he refuses to comment on — seriously. The

Liberal leader wasn't supposed to be here on his birthday.

His wife, Janine Krieger, was to be the headliner, but Dion said later the women candidates arrayed behind him clamoured for his appearance.

"I could not resist."

TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Twins who swapped roles charged with fraud

An Italian woman who worked as a part-time judge as well as a lawyer was substituted by her identical twin sister in court so she would not lose out on legal fees when she had two simultaneous engagements. The 54-year-old twins have now been charged with fraud and will go on trial in January, Italy's leading newspaper, Corriere della Sera, reports. **REUTERS**

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World



Clinton vows to aid Obama

Former U.S. President Bill Clinton said Republican John McCain is "a great man," but he expects Democrat Barack Obama to show "greatness" as president and will do what he can to get him elected on Nov. 4. Long dogged by questions about his commitment to Obama, who defeated his wife, Hillary, for the Democratic presidential nomination, Clinton said he admires McCain yet believes Obama would be the better president. **Reuters**

U.S. bailout vote looms

Lawmakers look to stem major financial crisis with hard-fought bill

The greatest U.S. government bailout since the Great Depression, a massive \$700 billion US intervention that has outraged working Americans and redefined the presidential race, could be voted upon as early as today.

A bipartisan deal reached early yesterday, after marathon negotiations, falls well short of the blank cheque the Bush administration had sought and gives the next U.S. president leeway in re-examining the deal when he takes office in January.

Both Democratic nominee Barack Obama and Republican nominee John McCain gave the deal their grudging support.

The fiercest opposition still rests with fiscal conservatives in the Republican caucus in the House of Representatives, the group most reluctant to line up

Big bucks

- The \$700 billion US in buying power would be doled out by Congress in stages. After the first \$250 billion is authorized, the President could request another \$100 billion. The final \$350 billion could be cleared by a further act of Congress.

behind any proposal from outgoing President George W. Bush as they head to the polls in just over five weeks.

The Democratic leadership took credit late yesterday for making the deal more palatable to American taxpayers, limiting compensation for Wall Street leaders, ensuring that the companies benefiting from the bailout pay back any shortfall to the taxpayers and providing accountability and trans-



Nine-year-old Alyssa Bowe listens to Democratic U.S. presidential nominee Barack Obama during a campaign rally outside the Detroit Public Library yesterday. Obama called the proposed \$700 billion U.S. economic bailout package an "outrage," but said he had "no choice" but to support it.

parency that was missing from the original Bush proposal.

"Working together, we

sent a message to Wall Street — the party is over," said Nancy Pelosi, the Democratic House speaker.

"This is not a bailout of Wall Street, this is a buy-in so we can turn this economy around." **TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE**

Israel to allow Canadians into Gaza

ISRAEL An Ottawa woman and her two teenaged daughters were hoping to enter the Gaza Strip early this morning, after Israeli authorities reversed an earlier decision and granted the trio permission to enter the troubled Palestinian territory.

"I am very, very happy," Saadiya Joha, 34, said last night after making the two-hour drive from Jerusalem to Erez Crossing, currently

the only entry point into Gaza from Israel. "My kids are very happy. I want to see my father really bad."

"My kids are very happy. I want to see my father really bad."

Saadiya Joha

The woman's 79-year-old father, Biab Joha, is in failing health in Gaza, and she

feared he would die before she and her daughters had a last chance to see him.

Joha and her daughters had hoped to cross into Gaza yesterday afternoon, but the border was closed by the time they reached Erez.

The crossing was to reopen at 8 a.m. local time.

The Israeli military IDF gave no reason either for its initial ruling or for its reversal of that decision yesterday. **TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE**

Police detain suspects over deadly bomb blast in Delhi

INDIA Indian police have detained more than 10 people in connection with a deadly bomb blast in a crowded New Delhi market, officials said yesterday, the second attack in the capital this month.

Police said they had witnesses who could identify the two men who dropped a bag in the Mehrauli market on Saturday, before speed-

ing away on a motorcycle.

A boy picked up the bag and ran after the motorcyclists to return it when there was a huge explosion, killing him. A 60-year-old man died in hospital later. Twenty-two people were wounded in the blast.

Saturday's blast followed an explosion in the city on Sept. 13 that killed 23 people and wounded 100. **REUTERS**

Hostages now in Chad, says Sudan

KIDNAPPING The Sudanese army said it had killed the leader of a group that kidnapped 11 Western tourists and eight Egyptians yesterday and said the hostages were now in Chad, the state-run SUNA news agency reported.

The agency quoted a statement from the army as saying one of its units killed five other gunmen and detained two in a gun battle near the Egyptian and Libyan border.

The army said "preliminary information" indicated the 19 hostages were inside Chad under the protection of 30 armed men. There was no comment from the Chadian government. **REUTERS**

News in brief

IRAQ Four bombs killed at least 32 people and wounded scores in Baghdad yesterday as Iraqis shopped and broke their fast for the Muslim holy month of Ramadan, police said.

GERMANY Conservatives in the southern German state of Bavaria suffered their worst result in half a century in a regional vote yesterday, dealing a blow to Chancellor Angela Merkel ahead of a 2009 federal election.

AUSTRIA The far right surged to almost a third of the vote in Austria's parliamentary election yesterday, complicating prospects for the biggest mainstream party, the Social Democrats, to forge a viable coalition government. **REUTERS**



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Venezuela will develop nuclear power: Chavez

President Hugo Chavez said yesterday Venezuela will develop a nuclear reactor for peaceful purposes, in another challenge to Washington just days after Russia offered nuclear assistance to the socialist Latin American leader.

"In Venezuela we are interested in development of nuclear energy, of course for peaceful purposes, for medical purposes, for purposes of electricity generation," Chavez said at a political rally.

"Brazil has various nuclear reactors, so does Argentina. We will have ours."

Chavez noted that Venezuela, which is a member of the oil-producing cartel OPEC, developed a nuclear reactor decades ago but abandoned it under pressure from the United States.

He said Russian Prime Minister Vladimir Putin had offered help with a reactor, adding that "we already have a commission



Venezuelan President Hugo Chavez at a Venezuela Socialist Party meeting in Caracas yesterday, where he promised the country would develop nuclear power for peaceful purposes.

working on this issue."

Chavez did not offer details or say when a reactor could be ready, but the news could further strain relations with Washington, which views Chavez as autocratic and erratic.

He has repeatedly challenged Washington, notably by defending Iran's nuclear activities despite strong condemnation by the United States and Europe.

This month Chavez ex-

pelled the U.S. ambassador to Venezuela and repeated his frequent threats to halt oil sales that make up around 10 per cent of U.S. oil imports.

Venezuela has boosted co-operation with Moscow since Russia came under strong U.S. condemnation for fighting a war against Georgia last month, strengthening ties between two of the United States' strongest critics. **REUTERS**

News in brief

TERRORISM Afghanistan sees new chances to work with Pakistan to uproot militant sanctuaries on their shared border, President Hamid Karzai said in an interview broadcast yesterday. Newly elected Pakistani president Asif Ali Zardari, widower of assassinated former Pakistani prime minister Benazir Bhutto, "sees things the way we see it" because his family and country had suffered terrorist attacks, said Karzai. Failure to deal with the border havens that al Qaeda and the Taliban use to launch attacks in Afghanistan and Pakistan would prolong war and suffering, he warned.

STORMS The World Food Program only has resources to help flood victims in Haiti through November and needs more money, the UN program's director said. At least 800 people were killed and thousands left in need of help in the Caribbean country, which has been hit by four storms — Fay, Gustav, Hanna and Ike — in about a month. The United States, Japan, the European Community, Switzerland and Canada have stepped up with \$11 million US of \$54 million US needed. **REUTERS**



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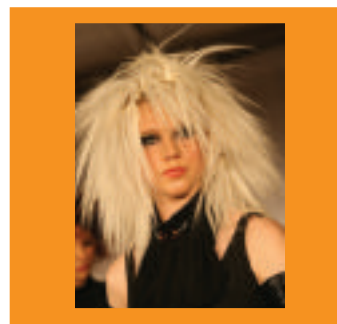
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Kristen Latham, retail manager at the Beacon Hill location, said that they enjoy a fun, trendy, relaxed environment. "We're always smiling, having a good time," said Latham. When hiring, Kristen says she particularly looks for employees that are willing to learn, since classes are offered for both front and back-end staff. Ongoing education is key for Chatters' staff, to ensure their product knowledge is up to date and this

helps all staff provide the customer with an informed opinion on their hairstyling needs.

A benefits program is also available, providing added security to employees. Yet, the fast-growing, national company goes beyond the basic needs and extends attractive offers including RRSP, travel opportunities, motivational training and events like this summer's national Makeover Challenge. The two day Calgary event was held for Chatters stylists across Canada. In addition to learning from Redken renowned industry educators, the event recognized and awarded Regional winners, Stylist of the Year and Stylist's Choice award.



Latham said that although prospective employees don't have to know everything about the beauty industry, she definitely wants to meet those who have a passion for it.

Retail experience is an asset for sales associates and apprentice stylists are often considered alongside experienced stylists and stylists with clientele.

"You can come in as a stylist or retail sales associate and work your way up to a management position," she said. "The possibilities are endless."

The company has both corporate owned locations, like the

latest: "Signal Hill location", and independently owned franchises.

Moe Abbas, owner of the Creekside location, said there are benefits and privileges of being under the name Chatters. "We're definitely above industry wages so our staff is motivated to hold onto their positions," said Abbas.

He said it's an honour to be part of the Chatters team, and the person with motivation and skill can be a part of further developing their good reputation." The Creekside salon has been in business for 2 years now, and he said that everything is headed in the right direction. "Chatters is just a great company," he said. "They have a formula for shared success." Of course, he added to Latham's remarks, the benefits are well worth it, including the trips to hot spots or the constant education that maintains their competitive advantage.

At Chatters, fashion and individuality is expressed through a trendy salon environment where employees can take pride in their workplace.

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"One of the things that attracts people to Calgary Co-op is simply who we are as a company," said Edna Howdle, recruiting and training manager. "Our reputation for being a local company that is a good employer and that cares about the community is well-known throughout the city."

Last year alone, the company donated \$1.7 million dollars to the community through its own fundraisers, such as food drives, as well as cash and product donations to local charities such as homeless shelters, women's shelters, local charities such as the Children's Cottage, numerous other programs for children, families and seniors, and the Alberta Children's Hospital, to which they are recognized as a million dollar contributor.

Another example of their community support is their sponsorship of the Monday Night Skate for Community taking place at the Olympic Oval. For just a food donation for the foodbank at the door, the rink is open for a free skate from 6:30 p.m. until 8:10 p.m. every Monday night, encouraging that much-needed family outing or a brush-up on last year's skating skills.

Other upcoming fundraisers include the annual poppy campaign in October, which includes commemorative displays in their stores for Remembrance Day, and "Project Warmth", which runs from the middle to the end of October. Calgary Co-op stores are acting as drop-off points for people to drop off clean, gently used winter clothing, such as coats, mitts and toques. Members of the fire department pick-up the items and ensures their quality before distributing the goods to people in Calgary who need warm winter clothing, but are unable to purchase their own.

"We believe it's important to support the community that supports us," said Donna Burn, vice president member and public relations. "Our community involvement is just one of the many reasons people want to work and shop at Calgary Co-op."

Education is also highly valued at the company, which provides on-the-job training to employees for their daily duties, and a tuition assistance program to help

them in developing business skills that will further their careers. This year, as further proof of their commitment to continuing education, Calgary Co-op provided \$70,000 in scholarships to employees and children of employees who qualified for a scholarship based on scholastic achievement.

Calgary Co-op employees also enjoy other benefits that are unique within the retail industry. These include an annual discount on their purchases at Calgary Co-op stores, monetary payments for new employee referrals, an annual gainshare payment (or bonus) based on certain factors, including overall profitability of the company, and an attractive pension plan. And, like all members of Calgary Co-op, employees receive an annual patronage return on their purchases each year.

Advancement possibilities are endless, and opportunities vary from meat cutters to bakery to deli to pharmacy to retail to travel to corporate positions, and much more, but it all focuses on making the customer happy and caring for each other.

Burn emphasized that successful candidates who want to join Calgary Co-op's team demonstrate qualities that exemplify a drive to achieve great things, their desire to build a satisfying and rewarding career, and a passion for serving customers in a retail environment. "Our employees need to care about our customers, the community, their team and the company, and have an ability to do the job they're hired to do."

Employees also like to know they're

working in stores that are environmentally friendly, and reduce their environmental footprint. In 2003, Calgary Co-op embarked on a comprehensive energy management program to ensure all of its locations were using energy efficiently, emitting less greenhouse gas, and recycling whenever possible. Last year, Canada Natural Resources recognized Calgary Co-op's new Creekside Centre as one of the most energy efficient retail stores in Canada, as well as the company for being environmentally friendly by reducing its overall energy consumption by almost 20 per cent since 2003. The City of Calgary has also recognized their energy reduction efforts and community recycling programs.

Burn said it was a response to a need in the community as well as a concern for the environment among their employees. "It's important to current and potential employees, and our members, that we support environmental initiatives," she said.

While it's paying off for the company financially to have installed energy efficient lighting and coolers, it gives peace of mind to every employee just in knowing that they've done yet another good thing for their community and the world around them. Newspaper and milk-jug recycling is also available through the stores.

Calgary Co-op is also looking to expand its locations throughout the city, and needs good people who want to make a difference to join their team. In 2009, they will open a brand new food centre, pharmacy, home health care centre, and liquor store in Quarry Park in the southeast community of Douglas Glen, which shows just how much Calgary Co-op is growing and will continue to excel in the coming years.

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With the head office in Edmonton, the company balances just under 180 employees but goes to great lengths to ensure that each is satisfied in his or her position.

Liggayu said that of those she's seen leave their work position, it's rarely been about the money or work dissatisfaction but about moving back home, heading back east or because of personal or family issues, which she says indicates to her that the company competes with industry standards. Pay is

determined on a base salary but bonuses also come in the form of pay on performance.

"The message for all the people coming in is that you're treated with respect and dignity. You're not just a number like you would be with bigger organizations," she said.

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"The one thing I can really say is we're very conscious of being competitive out there," said Lig-

gayu. "We're always growing, always changing and always implementing programs to make this place a great place to come to work."

She said she has thoroughly enjoyed her time with the company and feels privileged to work with a fantastic team. One more of the many things the company offers is simply peace of mind. Workers don't have to go out of town to find that perfect career choice; in fact, they're home every night with the confidence that they're bringing home a good paycheck while still having the freedom to spend quality time with their kids and families.

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Her best description of the company, she said, was "we're a small company with big ideas" and hopes to see fresh thoughts brought to the company with the new people they hire.

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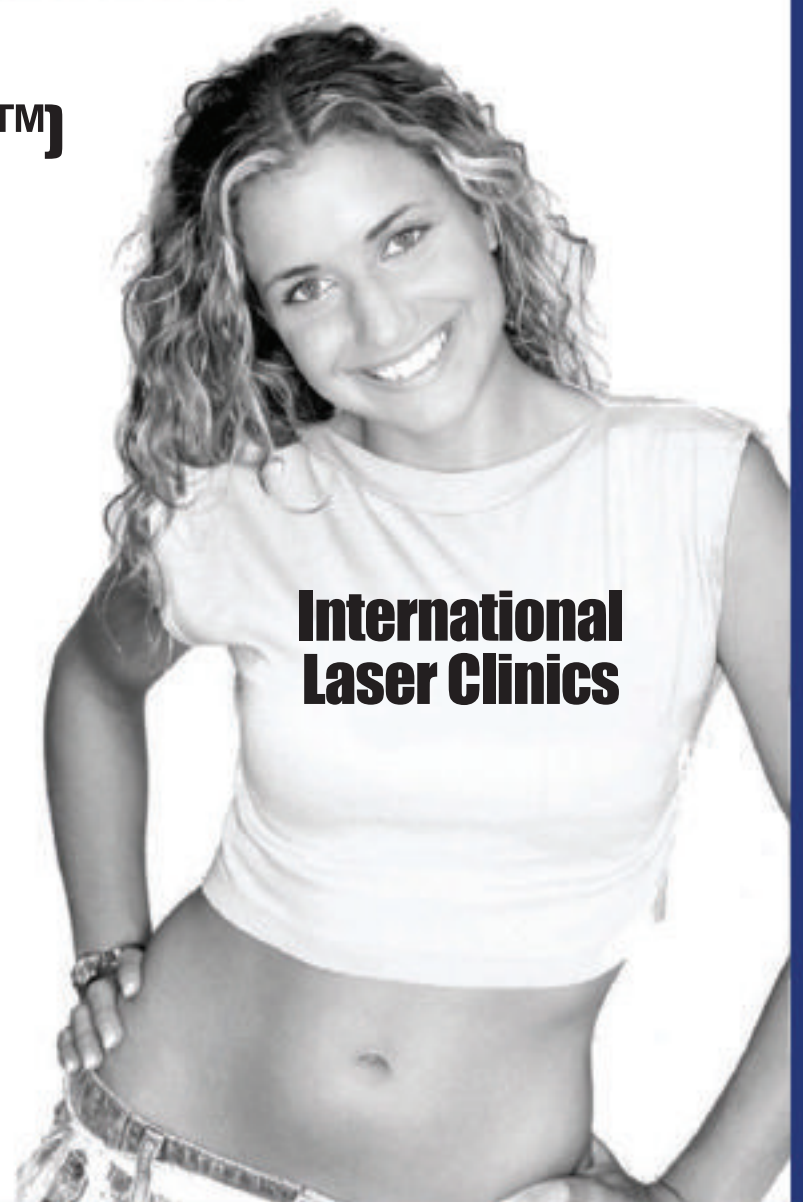
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U.S. housing decline temporarily idles sawmills

Nearly 900 Quebec forestry workers will be temporarily unemployed next month as AbitibiBowater idles four sawmills and woodland operations that produce two-by-fours because of a dramatic reduction in U.S. housing construction. **CBC NEWS ONLINE**

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Business



Ontario shortchanged on EI?

Under the current EI program, unemployed Ontario workers get an average of \$4,630 less in EI support than workers living in other parts of Canada, Ontario Premier Dalton McGuinty says. Prime Minister Stephen Harper says the rules simply assist economies that face higher or seasonal unemployment rates.

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Crisis curbs post-Sept. 11 rebuilding

FINANCIAL CRISIS Troubles on Wall Street may slow New York's drive to rebuild the World Trade Center and revitalize Manhattan's downtown.

The financial industry — which drives job growth,

office rents, and apartment sales prices and rents — will likely hurt the city's economy, experts say, even delaying rebuilding of the World Trade Centre, which was set to completed in 2009.

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Sex show This dream's a reality



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A woman looks at lingerie at Erotica Dream in Nice, France, on the weekend. Organizers of the sex and erotica exhibition, which travels in France, expected 20,000 visitors over three days.

World trade little hit so far

Trade flows are likely to slow this year as consumers, worried about the financial crisis, cut back spending and a cyclical downturn bites into exports and imports, economists said. But the crisis itself has so far had only a moderate impact on trade.

Exports and imports

have been slowing since the second quarter after growing strongly in the first, said the World Trade Organization.

The slowdown has been gradual, a sign that the slowdown reflects a cyclical downturn rather than the immediate impact of the crisis.

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Business in brief

WIRELESS RIM investors sent shares down 28 per cent on worries about low margins, more competition and weak economies. **TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE**

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Elect leaders who care about planet

Next government will lead Canada into the future on global warming initiatives

ScienceMatters

David Suzuki & Dr. Faisal Moola



Leaders of nations worldwide know we are near more than one environmental tipping point. So, they have met to hammer out agreements in crucial areas such as biodiversity loss and global warming.

Canada itself has acknowledged, through national planning and legislation, the importance of is-

suues such as species conservation and sustainable development. Many of these agreements and strategies must be addressed during the mandate of the government we elect Oct. 14.

In December 2009, Canada will meet with other nations in Copenhagen to adopt an international treaty to succeed the Kyoto Protocol on global warming. In 2010, the country will also have to report on the progress it has made regarding the UN Convention on Biological Diversity's targets for reducing biodiversity loss. Over the next few years, Canada's government must also formally review its Species at Risk Act, implement a Sustainable Development Act and

"We need a government that will lead when it comes to caring for the finite world that gives us life and sustains us. We've already squandered 20 years since global warming was first recognized as an issue requiring immediate attention."

tackle a number of other crucial environmental issues.

We need a government that will lead when it comes to caring for the finite world that gives us life and sustains us. We've already squandered 20 years since global warming was first recognized as an issue requiring immediate attention.

Even though the envi-

ronment has at least been on the agenda during this election, pollsters tell us Canadians see the economy and health care as more important. But it's not a matter of one or the other. The health of Canadians depends on a healthy environment, as does a healthy economy. Everything is connected!

We're a bit behind, but we can start to catch up by

Election 2008

recognizing that environmental initiatives can give the economy a huge boost. We can keep sucking every last bit of coal and oil out of the ground until it's all gone, until it's all been burned and its carbon released into the air, or we can create jobs and economic opportunities by developing renewable sources of energy.

Yes, we can all make a difference through our own individual actions by changing some of our habits, but we also have an opportunity to elect a government that will contribute to the kinds of large-scale changes needed

for a sustainable world.

As Canadians, we must hold the politicians to account and ensure that, no matter which party wins the election, we will have a government that shows foresight and leadership at home and abroad. That way we'll have a country that is thriving on opportunity rather than drowning in crisis.

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Selanne, Ducks sign two-year deal

The Anaheim Ducks officially welcomed back franchise icon Teemu Selanne yesterday, signing the Finnish winger to a two-year contract. Per club policy, terms of the deal were not disclosed. The 38-year-old had 12 goals and 23 points in 26 games last season. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**

Sports

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DAN TOTH
for Metro Calgary

A team's success isn't always measured by its position in the standings.

While the Calgary Stampeders have posted an impressive 9-4 record this season, unsurpassed in the entire Canadian Football League, other indicators point to a team that has taken ownership of the CFL penthouse.

Not only does the Stamps' 9-4 record vault them into first place in the West Division — the latest they've enjoyed top spot since the 2000 season — the team is chalking up some other achievements that indicate it's better than in recent years.

There's the 5-2 road record, tops in the CFL, along with decisive victories in Vancouver and

Toronto, two cities where they've struggled this decade.

Saturday's 44-16 win in Toronto — their sixth victory in the last seven games — it was the first in Hogtown since 2000 while a key win in Lotusland earlier this year ended a six-year drought at B.C. Place Stadium.

As for success playing out of a suitcase, Calgary's only road wins last season were in Edmonton against an Eskimos team that failed to make the playoffs.

The Stamps' impressive list of accomplishments suggests this is a team finally prepared to achieve something Calgary teams the last three seasons have failed to do: succeed in the playoffs.

"It's good to see the team has a short memory for what's happened in the



Calgary punter Burk Dales tackles Argonauts' Dominique Dorsey while running back a punt return during the first half the Stampeders' 44-16 win in Toronto on Saturday.

past," said head coach John Hufnagel, in his first year at the helm.

"They do a good job, come prepared, work hard and play hard and when they do that they have a chance to do something

and that includes winning on the road."

Additional discipline, a downfall of past Stampeders clubs, has also improved this season.

The Stamps were penalized for just 53 yards in Toronto, another indication Hufnagel's team-first attitude has been contagious.

"We've had our lapses but we've been able to re-focus and play the game more by the rules than what they had done in the past," Hufnagel said.

While Montreal has matched the Stampeders' overall record, the Alouettes have enjoyed a much easier schedule against the weak East Division.

The Stamps have also underlined that fact by beating Montreal twice this season to earn their rightful place atop the CFL.

Giordano back in the Flames fold

NHL Following a season playing for the Moscow Dynamo, Mark Giordano will make his return to the NHL with the Calgary Flames this season.

"I'm a year older and I have another year of pro under my belt," said the 6-foot, 203-pound defenceman, who will celebrate his 25th birthday when the Flames round out their seven-game exhibition schedule when the host the Edmonton Oilers on Friday. "You want to get better and I feel like I've done that."

Calgary coach Mike Keenan has liked what he's seen from Giordano so far in training camp.

"He's progressed very well," Keenan said.

"He moves the puck well, particularly laterally on the blue-line (and) adds an element to our power play that I think is going to be effective for us."

Giordano has vowed to make the most of his playing time at even strength, killing penalties or on the power play.

"When I get those opportunities I'm going to take advantage of them and show them that I want to be out there," said Giordano, who tallied four goals and added nine assists in 50 games for Moscow last year.

"We have high expectations on ourselves. We're expecting to have a good year."

The Flames will also play a pair of road games this week on Tuesday in Edmonton before traveling to Vancouver to face the Canucks the next night.

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Villegas wins PGA Tour Championship

GOLF A bold decision to aim straight for the flag at the tricky par-four 17th helped Colombian Camilo Villegas seal a playoff victory over Sergio Garcia at the Tour Championship on Sunday.

Villegas struck a superb seven-iron approach from the first cut of rough to 12 feet and calmly holed the birdie putt.

That put him level with Garcia, who was playing in the group behind, and the Colombian went on to par the 18th hole twice in succession to edge out the Spaniard for the title.



Camilo Villegas celebrates yesterday after winning the Tour Championship.

"Probably the shot of the tournament right there," Villegas told reporters of his second shot at the 455-yard 17th.

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Jays season a tale of two teams

Blue Jays 10 Orioles 1

A couple of weeks after it had effectively ended, the Blue Jays' 2008 season came to a close in clammy Baltimore yesterday.

A lopsided 10-1 victory over the miserable Orioles takes Toronto's final record to 86-76, 11 games back of surprise division winners Tampa Bay.

The optimistic take on the year? The Jays finished 10 games over .500 and the offence can only get better. The pessimist's view? They finished fourth in a division that will only get tougher next year and the pitching can't possibly repeat.

The season was punctuated by optimistic peaks and deflating valleys. Com-



Joe Inglett, left, gives fellow Jay Vernon Wells a pat on the helmet at home plate after Wells hit a three-run home run off in the fifth inning of Toronto's 10-1 win yesterday in Baltimore.

ing out of spring training, playoff hopes ran high in the clubhouse.

"Our team is built to win now," Vernon Wells said hours before the season started at Yankee Stadium

six months ago.

"Long. Frustrating," Wells said yesterday of the season. "Just another year that we didn't excel like we thought we would."

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		W L T PTS	Baltimore at Pittsburgh, 6:30
		WEEK 14	

Sports in brief

NFL The Washington Redskins ousted the Dallas Cowboys from the unbeaten ranks with a 26-24 upset victory yesterday. Jason Campbell passed for two touchdowns and Shaun Suisham kicked four field goals as the Redskins (3-1) ended a three-game winning streak for the Cowboys (3-1).

NFL Brett Favre set a career-

high with six touchdown passes as the New York Jets outgunned Arizona, 56-35, at the Meadowlands. The veteran signal caller had thrown five TDs three prior times, but not since September, 1998 when he was with Green Bay.

NFL Nate Kaeding hit a 47-yard field goal with under two minutes to play and the San Diego

Chargers overcame a 15-point halftime deficit with 25 fourth-quarter points to clip the Raiders 28-18 in Oakland.

NFL Green Bay Packers quarterback Aaron Rodgers injured his throwing shoulder in a 30-21 loss at Tampa Bay yesterday. "I was not sure if I dislocated it or what," Rodgers told reporters. "It hurt pretty bad." Rodgers,

who replaced Brett Favre as Green Bay's starting quarterback this season, injured the shoulder on a play in the third quarter.

FORMULA 1 Renault's Fernando Alonso ended a year-long winless streak by taking the Singapore Grand Prix, the first Formula One race run at night, yesterday. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**

University status draws more students to UFV

The University of the Fraser Valley is reporting increases in enrolment over last year, with a 6.3 per cent jump. The big reason for the gain is the fact that the former university-college was awarded university status. **METRO NEWS SERVICES**

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Workology

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René, the cat man of Parliament Hill

OddJobs

Diane Peters



It's a sunny afternoon at the western edge of Parliament Hill and René Chartrand is swinging a curly-haired toddler through the air. The boy and his father came here to look at the dozen cats who live in view of our nation's capitol buildings.

They're finding out the so-called Cat Man is possibly more entertaining than his feline charges.

Chartrand, although 86 years old, finds the energy to take a 10-minute bus ride most days to feed the cats, do maintenance on their homes and both chat and play with the hundreds of visitors who stop by every day.

The Lowdown**Job title:** Cat Man**Salary:** Volunteer; chips in to help offset the \$6,000 annual cost of keeping the cats.**Education/training:** A love of cats; helps if you can build and fix things.**Best Part of the Job:** "To be here every day."**Worst Part of the Job:** "I hate to go home."

He rarely misses a day, although snow sometimes keeps him from leaving his downtown apartment, where he has seven cats of his own. "I cannot live without a cat," he says. "I've always loved them."

The descendants of the cat colony worked inside the Parliament Buildings doing natural pest control until chemicals took over their job in the 1950s. Put outside, they were cared for by various hill staff until, in the 1970s, a local woman named Irene Desormeaux gave them food and some boxes to live in. Chartrand began helping out.

In 1987, Desormeaux died and Chartrand took over. The former lumber mill worker and house painter, who is originally from nearby Hull, took his volunteer duties seriously. He built condos out of wood for the cats, got them vet care and lavished them with attention.

Chartrand set up a donation box, which helps offset — but doesn't always full cover — the \$6,000 it costs to care for these cats every year. Donated cat food and vet care (they get a check-up and shots every year) help too.

In recent years, a group of eight local residents has begun helping Chartrand. They come early in the morning with food and when he arrives at two, he feeds them again (if he



René Chartrand, the so-called cat man.

doesn't make it, everyone knows they've eaten for sure). They help with things like the shoveling.

They're also consciously letting the cat colony peter out. A few years ago, there were 28 cats, now just a dozen remain. When people drop kittens on the hill or a new stray comes into the group, they bring it to the local Humane Society for adoption (or take it in themselves — everyone involved in this project has a couple felines at home).

None of them sees themselves as Chartrand's successor: "Taking care of these cats is all I have to do. I'm in love with them."

Diane Peters once hawked magic pens at the Canadian National Exhibition. She's now a writer and part-time journalism instructor.



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Moss lipstick portrait sells
A self portrait drawn in lipstick by supermodel Kate Moss has been sold to an anonymous buyer for US\$62,000 in London. **BBC NEWS ONLINE**

Entertainment

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Lone Ranger

George Clooney is reportedly set to star as The Lone Ranger, joining Johnny Depp in the big-screen adaptation of the long-running 1950s TV show, according to British tabloid reports. **IMDB.COM**

Death of a legend

Paul Newman remembered

The death of film legend Paul Newman sparked an outpouring of reaction over the weekend with friends remembering the Oscar winner for his cool acting style and his warm, charitable heart.

Newman, known for roles in films including Cat on a Hot Tin Roof, The Hustler, The Sting, and Butch Cassidy and the Sundance Kid, died at his Westport, Conn., home Friday night at age 83 after a long battle with cancer. His wife of 50 years, Joanne Woodward, and family were at his side.

Friends and associates remembered his talent that earned Newman nine Oscar nominations, his passion for auto racing and his philanthropy through such causes as his Newman's Own Foundation and Hole-In-the-Wall camps for sick children.

"There is a point where feelings go beyond words," said Robert Redford, his

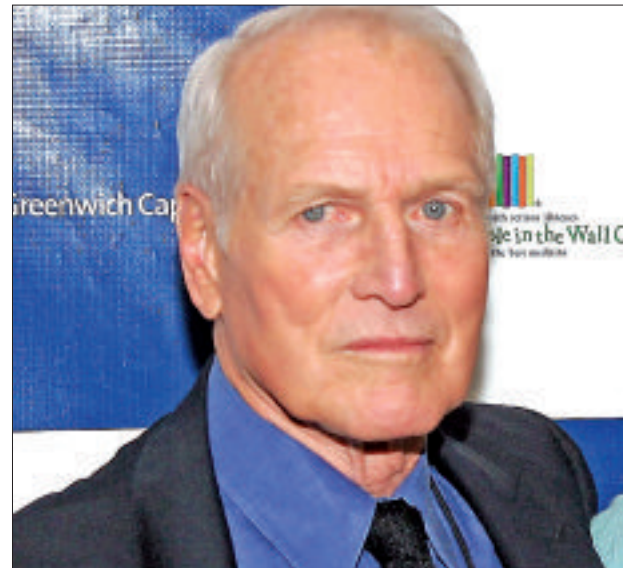
Newman facts

- Newman was nominated for nine Oscars and won the best actor award for The Color of Money in 1986.
- Newman's Own food line generated more than US\$200 million for charity.
- Married since 1958 to actress Joanne Woodward, he had one of Hollywood's rare enduring marriages.

longtime friend and co-star in Butch Cassidy and The Sting. "I have lost a real friend. My life — and this country — is better for his being in it."

"He comes from that era of actors along with the Deans, Brandos and Clifts that I, that we all looked at, as actors who changed the art form," said Leonardo DiCaprio.

Eva Marie Saint, who starred with Newman in Exodus, said: "Yes, his eyes were that blue and beautiful. ... His legacy as a hu-



Oscar-winning actor Paul Newman died at his home Friday.

manitarian for children around the world is unmatched."

Indeed, in 1982 Newman co-founded Newman's Own food products and decided to funnel much of his profits to charity. Along with philanthropy, Newman was active in liberal political causes, and former U.S. President Bill Clinton and

Sen. Hillary Clinton offered their condolences.

"Paul was an American icon, philanthropist and champion for children," the Clintons said. "Our prayers and thoughts are with Joanne and the Newman family and the many people who Paul impacted through his endless kindness and generosity." **REUTERS**

Box office

Following are the top 10 films at the North American box office for the three-day weekend beginning Sept. 26, according to studio estimates compiled Sunday:

- 1 Eagle Eye:** US\$29.2 million
- 2 Nights in Rodanthe:** \$13.6 million
- 3 Lakeview Terrace:** \$7.0 million
- 4 Fireproof:** \$6.5 million
- 5 Burn After Reading:** \$6.2 million
- 6 Igor:** \$5.5 million
- 7 Righteous Kill:** \$3.8 million
- 8 My Best Friend's Girl:** \$3.8 million
- 9 Miracle at St. Anna:** \$3.5 million
- 10 The Family That Preys:** \$3.2 million **REUTERS**

Officials won't charge LaBeouf over crash

Indiana Jones star Shia LaBeouf will not be charged after a car crash and his arrest on suspicion of drunken driving, prosecutors said.



LaBeouf

Police had said the other driver involved in the July crash ran a red light and slammed into the truck LaBeouf was driving. "We are not filing charges due to insufficient evidence against actor Shia

LaBeouf," said Jane Robison, a spokeswoman for the Los Angeles District Attorney's Office.

LaBeouf, 22, played Indiana Jones' son in the summer box office hit Indiana Jones and the Kingdom of the Crystal Skull. He stars in the thriller Eagle Eye, which opened in North American theatres over the weekend. **REUTERS**

West avoids felony in dispute

PEOPLE Los Angeles officials declined to press felony charges against rap singer Kanye West stemming from his arrest after a scuffle with photographers at Los Angeles International Airport this month.

The Grammy winner was arrested at the airport Sept. 11 after rushing at a photographer and grabbing his camera. **REUTERS**

DJ AM released from hospital

PEOPLE DJ AM was released from Doctors Hospital in Augusta, Ga., where he was being treated for injuries from a fatal plane crash, People.com reports. "He is deeply saddened by the events," a statement said. "We ask that you continue to respect his privacy as he rests and heals and mourns the loss of his friends." **METRO NEWS SERVICES**

BookPicks

Supreme Courtship

Author: Christopher Buckley
Publisher: Grand Central
Price: \$27.99 (HC)

From the author of political satire Thank You For Smoking comes a new comic look inside the highest judicial body in the United States — the Supreme Court. A justice vacancy leaves President Donald Vanderdamp the responsibility of finding a replacement. When senator Dexter Mitchell dismisses President Vanderdamp's nominees, the leader takes action to get a big name. He calls on Judge Judy-esque Texan Judge Pepper Cartwright from TV's Courtroom Six to step up. Her celebrity battles tradition in a novel where Buckley, a former speechwriter, continues his satirical representation of Capitol Hill.

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Unhealthy debate?

Taking stock is all perception

LIKE BOXING WITHOUT KNOCKOUTS: Political debates, like awards shows, are the worst kinds of television that can actually deliver ratings that better programs dream of getting; the notable exception to this rule being the Emmys, which creates its own rule — people love watching TV, but hate watching people get awards for making TV.

But I digress. Republican presidential candidate John McCain followed his Democratic opponent Barack Obama at the top of last Friday's first U.S. presidential debate with a downbeat announcement that Senator Ted Kennedy was in the hospital and went on to admit that "I've been not feeling too great about a lot of things lately."

He might have been striving to be honest — a questionable tactic for a politician — or bogart the emotional Q factor from Obama, but his elegiac bumper gambit was a sackcloth robe compared to his opponent's shiny space suit set of solutions.

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Even if you're well-informed about the real issues at hand, or steeped in partisan sentiment and unlikely to budge by the time you cast your ballot, the U.S. presidential debates are pageants of style and sentiment whose effect and appeal almost supersede the geography of facts or party loyalty.

Both candidates took credit for being Cassandra of the economic crisis that set the agenda for the debate, warning of trouble to come. Both men favour tax cuts and the financial bailout, but as sure as regret follows a binge, the inevitable "but ..." transforms the momentary illusion of consensus into the usual ideological Babel.

L.A. Weekly columnist

Nikki Finke reported this weekend that the major movie studios have put part of the blame for this weekend's substandard opening box office on the debates; whatever you think about the style or substance of the debates, the idea that an appreciable percentage of 18- to 34-year-olds stayed home Friday night to watch the presidential debates can't help but cautiously rekindle the dim embers of civic optimism.

If McCain walked away from the debates with any real advantage visible to the disinterested observer it was a few zingers ("It's hard to reach across the aisle from that far left.")

In any case, Thursday's vice-presidential debates are likely to be the style battle that will pull in ratings, and the movie studios should probably be grateful that they aren't taking place a day later.

Rick McGinnis writes about music, movies, books and television, but not opera.

My grandmother had a saying. "If you don't take stock, how do you know when you're running low?" Remembering those words always makes me think.

Mostly, I think, "What the heck was the old woman talking about?" Possibly, what grandma meant was that every so often we should take time to ask our selves important life questions. Do a little self-assessment. Not like,

"Am I doing all I possibly can to benefit humankind?" That's a lot of self-assessment. I'm thinking more along the lines of, "Am I headed down a wrong road?" and "Should I stop doing that if it stops being fun?"

Traditionally, the time to take stock of our lives is when we make New Years resolutions. I've made many resolutions over the years and I'm happy to say I've kept every one. Main-

ly, I've kept them in the bottom drawer of my desk where I don't have to look at them.

But today I'm taking grandma's advice and I invite you to do the same.

Career: My crowning achievement this year was training my family not to interrupt when I'm working. I did this by saying, "Let me read you what I'm working on," every time they came near.

Finances: So far, a significant part of my savings portfolio is made up of whatever I find under the sofa cushions. But, I do have a retirement plan. I plan never to retire.

Family: This is a big year for our family as my older daughter gets surgery to become, well, my older daughter. Jade was born biologically male.

As we work through this process together, I've come to realize my family is exasperating, opinionated and often surprisingly terrific. In other words, we're

"He's cut his personal water consumption by half by substituting soda in his scotch."

just like everyone else.

Going green: My friend, Rob, claims he's cut his personal water consumption by half by substituting soda in his scotch.

For myself, I didn't get around to getting a backyard composter, but I think the pile of laundry in the basement has started to decompose.

Personal satisfaction: I've got love and work enough and what else do we need?

Except for nice shoes. And gossip magazines. Oh, and Twizzlers. I love those.

The tally: I'm giving myself an A for "effort." Or possibly for "anxious."

But overall, I'd say I've achieved the ultimate goal of anyone trying to make it in this challenging world. I'm still standing.

Anne Hines is an author and humour writer. She has written three novels and one collection of nonfiction humour.

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critics'corner

Worst Week

This new episode is for the birds, literally. When Sam (Kyle Bornheimer) tries to repair all of the damage he did to his reputation last week and win Dick's (Kurtwood Smith) approval by charming Angela (Nancy Lenehan), his plan backfires when Dick's prized birds take wing. Maybe things will get better when he meets the rest of Mel's (Erinn Hayes) family. Umm, right. 10:30 PM on CHTV 10:31 PM on KREM



Mr. President

Hail to the chief — Hollywood style. This new documentary focuses on film and television versions of the president of the United States, such as the commanders in chief such as those played by Harrison Ford, Dennis Haysbert and Geena Davis. The questions it raises are interesting: Do fictional female or minority presidents open voters' minds to the possibility of the real thing? And are Hollywood presidents giving the real thing too much to live up to? 8 PM on CBC

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Gervais to meet Oscar?

Comedian Ricky Gervais has been tipped to host next year's Academy Awards, after his laugh-raising stint at the recent Emmy Awards. IMDB.COM

**Celebrity Buzz**

Johansson and Reynolds wed

MARRIAGE Officially tying the knot, actors Scarlett Johansson and Ryan Reynolds exchanged vows during a Canadian wedding over the weekend, celebrity-gossip.net reports.

According to an Us magazine insider, the "small wedding took place at a remote wilderness resort outside Vancouver, with the limited guest list including Scarlett's mother, Melanie Sloan and

her brother, Adrian Johansson." Announcing their engagement back in May, the couple have been dating ever since Reynolds, 31, broke off his engagement with singer Alanis Morissette in February 2007.

"I believe in finding a soul mate. I've always been in monogamous relationships. I would never want to be in an open one. It'd be too awful," Johansson said.

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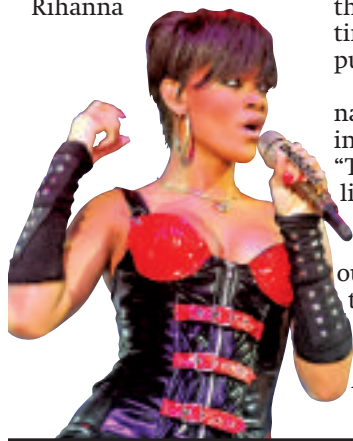
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Rihanna has designs on more than umbrellas

FASHION Rihanna is set to follow in the footsteps of fellow pop star Gwen Stefani and launch her own clothing line, femalefirst.co.uk reports.

The singer, who is a frequent front-row guest at runway shows, has confirmed she is working on her own designs.

Rihanna



has already dabbled in the accessories industry — she put her name to a range of umbrellas earlier this year to coincide with her international hit of the same name.

"I can't say when it will be released, but it's definitely going to happen. I'm not one to rush into anything. I want to take my time," she tells fashion publication Wwd.

Earlier this year, Rihanna hinted she was pondering a fashion line, saying, "There might be a clothing line on the horizon, maybe underwear."

The star has also previously teamed up with retail chain H&M to design a range of casualwear as part of the Fashion Against Aids campaign.

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Moore's fake husband

INTERNET Julianne Moore is waging an online battle with a mystery man who claims he was once married to her, imdb.com reports.

The Oscar nominee is baffled by a posting on the Internet Movie Database, which claims she was married to Sundar Chakravarthy from 1983-1985. And she wants the world to know she has never met the web phantom.

"I was in an interview, and a journalist said,

'You've been married three times.' And I said, 'No.' She said, 'It's on the internet,' so I checked it out," Moore says. "There's a person online who claims to have been married to me from 1983 to 1985. His name is Sundar Chakravarthy. I've never heard of him."

Moore's real husbands are John Gould Rubin, who she divorced in 1995 and her current spouse Bart Freundlich.

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Oprah dismisses Carey rumour

GOSSIP Oprah Winfrey has dismissed reports Mariah Carey has cancelled an appearance on her U.S. chat show Friday, when she was allegedly set to announce she is pregnant, femalefirst.co.uk reports.

The pop singer was rumoured to have booked an appearance on the show to share the news that she is expecting her first child with husband Nick Cannon, according to internet reports.

But a repre-

sentative from Winfrey's production company, Harpo, insists there are no scheduled plans to have Carey on the show either now or in the immediate future.

Meanwhile, Carey's

spokesperson has shot down claims the star is pregnant — a rumour that has plagued her since exchanging vows with Cannon in April after a whirlwind romance.

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Mario Lopez pens children's book

BOOKS Actor Mario Lopez has become the latest star to pen a children's book, imdb.com reports.

The former Saved By The Bell star has written Mud Taco with his sister Marissa, about his experiences growing up.

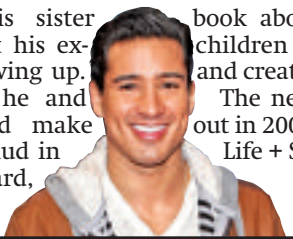
"For fun, he and Marissa would make tacos out of mud in the backyard, substituting

worms for cheese, grass for lettuce and mud for meat," a source says.

"Mario would dare Marissa to eat one, but she'd refuse. Now they're writing a book about it to teach children to be strong and creative."

The new book is due out in 2009, according to Life + Style magazine.

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celebrity briefs

Locklear arrested on DWI suspicion

ARREST Actress Heather Locklear was arrested Saturday on suspicion of driving while impaired, TMZ.com reports. Locklear was pulled over while driving in the Santa Barbara, Calif., area.

Law enforcement officers have told TMZ alcohol was not involved, however they are conducting tests to determine if Locklear was under the influence of drugs. She was released on her own recognizance yesterday, without having to post bail.

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Doherty claims she was vilified

CELEBRITY Shannen Doherty "cried herself to sleep" when negative stories were written about her, femalefirst.co.uk reports.

The actress, who shot to fame playing Brenda Walsh in '90s TV series Beverly Hills, 90210, attracted unwanted attention as rumours of her on-set spats with the show's cast and party-loving lifestyle began to surface.

Doherty, 37, claims she was unfairly vilified as she was just behaving like any other teenager. "I got raked over the coals.

Many nights I cried myself to sleep over that stuff," Doherty said.

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"This makes no sense at all..."

by Joe O'Neill

Ryan Reynolds and Scarlett Johansson have gotten hitched.

We can only hope, for the sake of their publicists and our own prurient curiosities, that it is the first of many miserable and publicly contentious marriages for both of them.

The wedding was a small affair that took place at a remote wilderness resort near Vancouver with a limited guest list that included Bambi Thumper, Friend Owl, Legolas, Bilbo Baggins, Gollum, the entire cast of The Blair Witch Project, and Bigfoot. It is unknown at this time who was holding the shotgun.

Johansson is American, Reynolds is Canadian. I'm no lawyer, but when an American gets married in Canada and isn't gay, does it even count?

This marriage has taken me by surprise. I thought that the Van Wilder guy would have enough common sense not to cross his ex Alanis Morissette like that. Now, he can expect to have a much less interesting time every time he goes to a movie theatre and each time he sits down to dinner and the phone rings he's going to worry it's Alanis asking for "Mr. Duplicity." He-ee, he-ee, he-ee oughta know.

As for his bride, I understood that ScarJo was too busy advising Barack Obama on election strategy to get married. If Obama wins, will she be able to balance a new marriage and a cabinet position?

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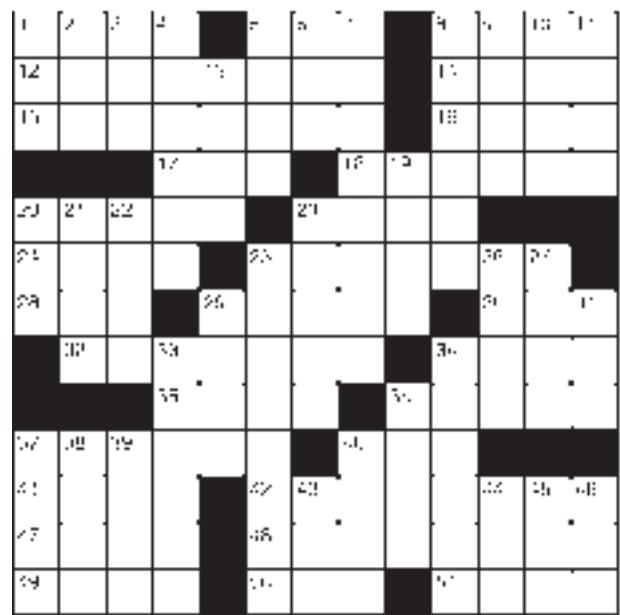
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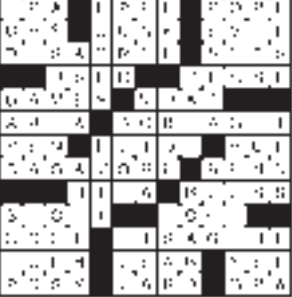
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20 Alumni
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25 Least
28 Roscoe
- 29 Cartons
30 Vast expanse
32 Mosque tower
34 Mends cuffs
35 — and crafts
36 Praise
37 No alternative?
40 The stuff we breathe
41 Lambs’ dams
42 Ores
47 Unescorted
48 Lift
49 Entreaty
50 Tier
51 Bigfoot’s Asian cousin

Crossword down

- 1 Rotating part
2 Blackbird
3 Proscribe
4 Berates
5 Genetic acids, briefly
6 School’s Web address suffix
7 Strict disciplinarian
8 In the same place (Lat.)
9 Gentlewoman
10 Stead
11 Rebuff a masher
13 Cole Porter’s “Miss — Regrets”
19 Eye part
20 Showbiz job
21 Wander
22 Opposed to
- 23 Repairs
25 Charlie McCarthy’s pal Snerd
26 Secondhand
27 Note to the staff
29 Say “bow-wow”
31 Donkey
33 Extreme disgust
34 “Yippee!”
36 Ukraine capital
37 Iodine-rich seaweed
38 MPs’ quarry
39 Part of N.B.
40 From the beginning
43 U.N. work agcy.
44 Chowd down on
45 Parcel of land
46 — Lanka

PREVIOUS DAY’S CROSSWORD AND SUDOKU ANSWERS:



4	8	2	5	3	6	9	1	7
6	7	1	4	8	9	5	2	3
3	9	5	1	2	7	6	8	4
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SUDOKU SOLVE TIME:	17-21 min	Smart
Under 13 min	Genius	
13-17 min	Scholar	
	21-25 min	Not bad
	25+ min	Keep practising

Recipe of the day



Asian Pork and Cabbage Rolls

INGREDIENTS:

- 1 lb (500 g) extra-lean ground pork
1 cup (250 mL) canned water chestnuts, drained and finely chopped
2 tsp (10 mL) five-spice powder
1 tbsp (15 mL) finely grated fresh ginger
2 scallions, finely chopped
2 tbsp (25 mL) soy sauce
2 garlic cloves, crushed
1 egg, beaten
8 large green cabbage leaves
2 cups (500 mL) hot reduced-sodium chicken broth
2 tsp (10 mL) flour
1 tsp (5 mL) chili sauce, or to taste (optional)
Garnish: Curled strips of scallion

METHOD:

1. Place pork in a bowl and add water chestnuts, five-spice powder, ginger, scallions, soy sauce, garlic and egg. Mix thoroughly with your hands, then divide into eight equal portions.
2. Cut tough stalks from cabbage leaves with sharp knife.

Place some pork mixture in centre of each cabbage leaf, then wrap leaf to enclose the filling.
3. Pour broth into the bottom section of large steamer. Arrange cabbage rolls, join side down, in one layer in top section. Cover and steam for 15 minutes or until the cabbage is tender and rolls are firm when pressed. Remove top section from the steamer and keep cabbage rolls hot.
4. Mix flour with 2 tbsp (25 mL) water, then stir into broth. Bring to a boil and simmer, stirring constantly, until slightly thickened. Add chili sauce if desired.
5. Serve cabbage rolls with sauce spooned over and sprinkled with curls of scallion.

SERVES 4

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Horoscopes

AVATAR VENUS

ARIES
MARCH 21-APRIL 20

♈

You can enjoy strange events in weird places. Don't worry about habits that are of no concern. A man's desperate plan can be easily pulled off.

LIBRA
SEPT 23-OCT 23

♎

No intervention is needed in a doubtful situation. You reveal the truth in spite of your desire to hide. You'll be aware of your effect on other people.

TAURUS
APRIL 21-MAY 21

♉

A relative brings you joy and laughter. Tell the truth or you'll be caught in a foolhardy lie. A chance for success is fulfilled by taking a risk.

SCORPIO
OCT 24-NOV 22

♏

A major relationship obstacle will be obliterated. An earth-shaking announcement is important to a traveller. Look around to find private space.

GEMINI
MAY 22-JUNE 21

♊

A debate will have you chuckling, if you heed advice. A co-worker tells an incredible story. Spend more time tending to your promises.

SAGITTARIUS
NOV 23-DEC 21

♐

Satisfaction comes from thrilling visitors. Inspire hope in a gloomy girl. Don't be ashamed of a guilty reaction.

CANCER
JUNE 22-JULY 22

♋

The support of your friends improves a situation. Somebody's phoning will get irritating. Think hard before having a harsh reaction.

CAPRICORN
DEC 22-JAN 20

♑

Don't give your power away by being angry. Discreetly explain the ending of an association. Someone's disappointment results from your message.

LEO
JULY 23-AUG 23

♌

Focus on making a plan for your destiny. You'll get honest praise when you earn it. A nice man calls with good news.

AQUARIUS
JAN 21-FEB 18

♒

Be serious when it comes to being honest. Strong words are said to someone who matters. Avoid over-medicating when you're weary and ill.

VIRGO
AUG 24-SEPT 22

♍

A peculiar tale is a distraction in the face of chaos. Emotional support is only a phone call away. Take notes whenever someone complains.

PISCES
FEB 19-MARCH 20

♓

It's time to do the right thing. Start preparations to enhance a group's prestige. Show appreciation for an older man's help.



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SEPT. 29, 1657: The second War of Religion in France breaks out.
SEPT. 29, 1789: The U.S. War Department first establishes a regular army with a strength of several hundred men.
SEPT. 29, 1911: Italy declares war on the Ottoman Empire.
SEPT. 29, 1916: John D. Rockefeller becomes the first billionaire.
SEPT. 29, 1962: Alouette 1, the first Canadian satellite, is launched.
SEPT. 29, 1975: WGPR in Detroit, Michigan, becomes the world's first black-owned-and-operated television station.
SEPT. 29, 1979: Pope John Paul II became the first pope to set foot on Irish soil with his pastoral visit to the Republic of Ireland.
SEPT. 29, 2004: The asteroid 4179 Toutatis passes within four lunar distances of Earth.

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